TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 473: AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE CONTRACTING STANDARDS BOARD

Dear Co-Chairs Senator Flexer and Representative Fox, Vice-Chairs Senator Haskell and Representative Thomas, and Ranking Members Senator Sampson and Representative Mastrofrancesco,

My name is Kathleen Hennessey and I am writing in support of SB: 473 which will preserve the independence and authority of the Connecticut State Contracting Standards Board.

With transparency being a concern currently in government and public actions, it is of the utmost importance that the State Contracting Standards Board be allowed to continue to exist and do the work it has been doing. Through its actions the State Contracting Standards Board protects taxpayer dollars and promotes fairness among businesses by being able to intervene early on during the contracting process should there be problems.

Especially at this time I think it is vital that Connecticut has a State Contracting Board with the authority it needs to provide nothing but the highest standards in contract procurement.

Respectfully yours,

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